

TITLE OF THE INVENTION

LOWER ALKYL CARBOXYLIC ACID MOIETIES

AS ORGANOLEPTIC STABILIZERS AND PRESERVATIVES OF FOOD AND  
5 BEVERAGES AND FOR PREVENTING OXIDATIVE CORROSION OF METALS

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

10 This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of  
U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/448,153, filed on February  
19, 2003, the disclosures of which is incorporated by reference  
herein.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

20 Oxidative degradation, in the form, e.g., of spoilage of  
food, beverages or other organic products, or of the corrosion of  
metals, is a serious problem that affects and undermines the  
quality of everyday social life and the endurance of industrial  
products. Extensive efforts have been undertaken to design  
25 preservatives and shelf-life extenders, e.g., for the food and  
beverage industry, and to fabricate products such as steam  
generators, heat exchangers, bridges, oil drilling platforms and  
motor vehicles that can resist the destructive effect of  
corrosion. For many traditional products, new developments in  
30 energy sources, advances in material sciences, microprocessing  
technology and miniaturization of new devices to the micron scale  
all reinforce the demands for effective anticorrosion technologies  
that avert food spoilage and device failures.

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